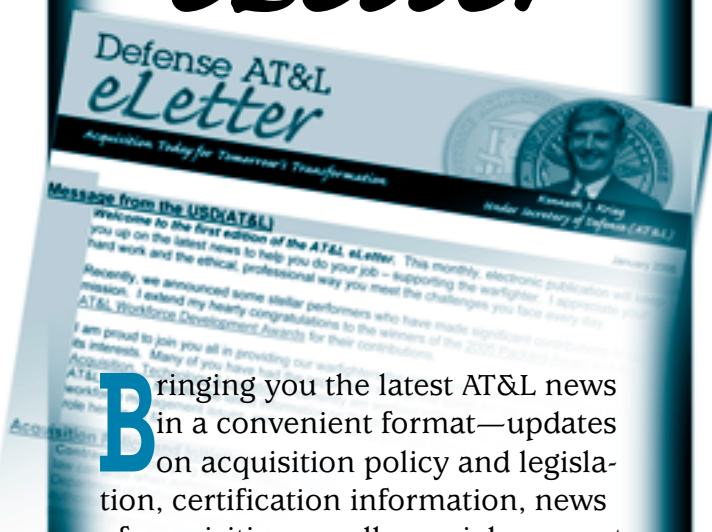


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no longer require monitoring (for example, if a system is replaced through attrition and will not be maintained by the government).

Monitoring Tools

The OMT employs a variety of obsolescence monitoring/prediction tools. No one tool can perform all of the necessary functions required to properly monitor each component. Each tool serves as a check and balance system to the others and provides notices, health analysis, prediction, and projection of component life span. The OMT uses, in combination, AVCOM (Advanced Component Obsolescence Management); Total Parts Plus; QSTAR (QinetiQ's Sustainment Technology Assessment Resource); TACTRAC (Transition Analysis of Component Tracking); and OMIS (Obsolescence Management Information System). In the near future, the OMT will also have access to MOCA (Mitigation of Obsolescence Cost Analysis), provided by the University of Maryland.

Results to Date

To date, the OMT has worked on over 400 obsolescence case sheets, resulting in the resolution and/or closure of over half in the past year. The OMT monitors over 50,000 components for the V-22. From fiscal year 1998 through fiscal 2004, the estimated cost avoidance for obsolescence management totaled over \$39 million. Through the OMT's continuous efforts to streamline processes and become more efficient, the team has achieved an estimated cost avoidance of over \$27 million for fiscal 2005 alone.

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